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RE: NIRB File No. 08MN053: MHTO Notice of Motion

Dear Keith Morrison,

The Government of Nunavut (GN) thanks the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or the Board) for the opportunity to respond to the Notice of Motion filed by the Mittimatalik Hunters and Trappers Organization on June 19, 2023 in relation to the assessment of the Sustaining Operations Proposal (SOP). On May 8, 2023, the NIRB issued procedural guidance for the assessment of Baffinland's SOP to include opportunities for intervenors and commenting parties to perform a 10-minute presentation at the Iqaluit Community Roundtable only. The GN understands the Motion requests the NIRB make video recordings of these presentations and to play the videos during the Pond Inlet portion of the Community Roundtable.

In response to the Motion, the GN has no objection to having its presentation recorded in Iqaluit. Further, the GN plans to attend the Iqaluit and Pond Inlet Roundtables and can present in-person at both if that opportunity were granted to intervenors and commenting parties. Where an intervenor cannot attend the Pond Inlet portion of the Roundtable in person, the GN has no objection to recorded presentations being played.

The GN respects the authority and discretion of the NIRB to prepare procedures and supports any decisions the NIRB makes to implement the Board's process of assessment in a manner that accommodates all parties' participation. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at dlapierre1@gov.nu.ca.

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On behalf of
David Kunuk, Deputy Minister
Economic Development & Transportation,
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